It is Sunday the 18th May 2008 and here is ANARTS with our weekly RTTY broadcast bringing you - cast 1494.
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A.N.A.R.T.S. News Bulletin 1494 for 11th May 2008
IPS Weekly Solar and Geophysical Report for 11th to 17th April, issued on 18th April by the IPS Radio and Space Services.
SUMMARY

Date	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
10cm flux	67	68	69	69	69	70	69
AFr index	3	8	6	2	3	9	(7 estimated)
Aaus index	6	11	10	3	7	13	(5 estimated)
T index	2	5	-1	3	-5	12	4

Solar flare activity was very low all week.
Geomagnetic activity observed for the Australian Region was quiet on 11th14th and 17th; quiet to unsettled on 12th, 13th and 15th; and quiet to active on 16th. Periods of activity were observed at high latitudes on 13th.
Southern Australian Ionospheric F2 critical frequencies were near predicted on 11th to 15th; near predicted to 25 per cent enhanced on 16th; and near predicted to 20 per cent enhanced on 17th.
Nighttime Spread F was reported from Hobart on 13th.
Forecast for 18th to 24th April
Solar activity is expected to be very low. There is a slight chance of moderate activity with returning region 989 that produced an M-class flare on its previous rotation.
Geomagnetic activity could be active 22nd to 24th due to expected recurrent coronal hole effects; and quiet to unsettled on other days.
Frequencies should be briefly depressed after local dawn 22nd to 24th, depressed 15 per cent on 23rd; otherwise frequencies should be near predicted monthly values.
courtesy of the IPS Radio and Space Services
summary by Pat VK2JPA ANARTS Broadcast Officer

As the VK2SG RTTY DX Notes have not arrived at time of compiling this news bulletin, they have been replaced by the ARRL DX News.

ARLD021 DX news for 15th May 2008
FIJI, 3D2. Eddie, VK4AN and Rajiv, VK4FRAJ will be QRV as 3D2A from May 17 to 31. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. They will also have a 6 meter beacon on 50105 kHz. This includes an entry in the upcoming CQ WPX CW contest. QSL via VK4AN.
TUNISIA, 3V. Zoki, Z33F and Momo, Z31MM are QRV as 3V8SS from the scout camp in Sousse until May 26. Activity is on all bands using CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV and PSK. This includes an entry in the EU PSK contest and the upcoming CQ WPX CW contest. QSL via IZ8FWN.
UNITED NATIONS HQ, 4U_UN. Roger, G3SXW and Johnny, LA5IIA will be QRV as 4U1UN on May 17 and 18, with an emphasis on the low bands. QSL via HB9BOU.
UGANDA, 5X. Franz, DC7NF is QRV as 5X7FN until the end of June. Activity is mainly on 40 and 20 meters using SSB and generally around 1700 to 2100z. QSL to home call.
RWANDA, 9X. Rich, WA3FPK is QRV as 9X0A for about three weeks. Activity is in his spare time and mainly on 20 meters using SSB. QSL via KA1CRP.
OMAN, A4. Alex, A45WD has been active on 30 meters using CW and PSK31 at various times throughout the day. QSL via YO9HP.
CHINA, BY. Look for special event stations BT1OB, BT1OJ, BT1OH, BT1OY and BT1ON to be QRV from May 18 to September 17 in celebration of the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games. The last letter of each callsign

corresponds to the color in Chinese of each of the rings of the Olympic flag. QSL via BA4EG.
MOZAMBIQUE, C9. Rodrigo, C91R is QRV until August 1. QSL via CT1BXT.
SAINT BARTHELEMY, FJ. Harry, AC8G will be QRV as FJ/homecall from May 22 to 27. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using SSB during his morning hours. QSL to home call.
JERSEY, GJ. Geoff, G4ICD is QRV as GJ4ICD for about 10 days. Activity is on the HF bands with a focus on 6 meters. He has a 6 meter beacon on 50140 kHz. QSL to home call.
ITALY, I. Members of the Egadi DX Team and ARI di Trapani are QRV as IF9LI from Levanzo Island, IOTA EU-054, until May 18. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters, and possibly 6 meters, using SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL direct to IT9FXY.
MONGOLIA, JT. Nicola, I0SNY is QRV as JT1SNY/8 and has been active on 20 meters using PSK31 at various times. QSL to home call.
SVALBARD, JW. Juergen, DJ3KR will be QRV as JW/DJ3KR from May 20 to 26. QSL to home call.
NETHERLANDS, PA. Members of the Veron Traffic Bureau are QRV with special callsign PA143ITU until May 30 in celebration of the 143rd anniversary of the ITU and World Telecommunication Day. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and some RTTY. This includes an entry in the upcoming CQ WPX CW contest. QSL via PA3CAL.
CHAD, TT. Duarte, CT1CPP is QRV as TT9/homecall for about one year. Activity is on the HF bands. QSL to home call.
MICRONESIA, V6. Shoji, JA7HMZ will be QRV as V63DX from Pohnpei Island, IOTA OC-010, from May 19 to 24. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL to home call.
TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS, VP5. Bob, K0OK will be QRV as VP5/homecall from May 21 to 28 from Providenciales, IOTA NA-002. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW and SSB. During the upcoming CQ WPX CW contest, he will be active as VP5E. QSL to home call.
CAYMAN ISLANDS, ZF. Jim, W6NRJ will be QRV as ZF2LJ from Grand Cayman, IOTA NA-016, from May 17 to 22. Activity is on all bands, with an emphasis on the newer bands. QSL to home call.

The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 858 - excerpts
5X, UGANDA
Franz, DC7NF, is now active as 5X7FN until the end of June. Activity is expected to be mainly on 40 and 20 meters SSB. Most of his activity so far has been on 20 meters on various frequencies between 1700-2100z. QSLs will go out when he returns home.
5X, UGANDA
Nick, G3RWF, will be active again as 5X1NH from June 25th to August 15th. Activity will be from Fort Portal in Western Uganda. QSL via G3RWF. He was active during February and March this year and made 11000 QSOs.
6M0, SOUTH KOREA (IOTA and Lighthouse Activity)
Members of the GyeongNam DX Club will activate 6M0W/4 from Paegya Island (AS-060) between June 6-8th. Operators mentioned are: 6K5AQY, 6K5AYC , 6K5BHZ, 6K5ALT, DS5AJT and HL5BMX. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. This operation also counts for Paekya Do lighthouse (ARLHS SKR-022, WLOTA LH-3386). QSL via HL5BMX, direct or by the bureau.
8J, JAPAN (QRP Event)
Look for special event stations 8J4P and 8J6P to be active until June 30th. Activity is to celebrate "QRP Day" (June 17th). Stations will run less than five watts output. Activity over the past week has been on 40/30/20 meters CW and PSK. QSL according to the operator's instructions.
9X, RWANDA
"The Daily DX" reports that Rich, WA3FPK, will be here for three weeks starting on May 15th. Activity will be limited to his spare time (especially during his last week) and will be mainly on 20 meters SSB. QSL via KA1CRP.
ANTARCTIC CRUISE/EXPEDITION (Update)

Mehdi, F5PFP, organizer of an upcoming Antarctic Cruise/Expedition for about 4 weeks in 2009, informs OPDX the following Antarctic bases and the main goal of the expedition is to operate about 5 to 7 hours from each base, BUT also have a great adventure, sailing, trekking, photos...etc. The Antarctic Cruise/Expedition will start in February, departing from Ushuaia on the 18th and returning to Ushuaia om March 17th.

EA6, BALEARIC ISLANDS (EU-004)

Matthias, DD9HK, will be active as EA6/DD9HK from Mallorca Island between June 15-19th. Activity will be holiday style on 160-6 meters on SSB using an Icom IC-7000 w/100 watts and a dipole.

FJ, ST. BARTHELEMY

Harry, AC8G, will be active as FJ/AC8G between May 22-27th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters. Harry states, "Please avoid asking for band changes, schedules and other interruptions especially if I am running well. Exceptions would be if 12, 10 or 6 meters are open to nearby islands." QSL via AC8G. QSLs from stateside SASE ony. Others SASE or bureau OK. Do not send cards to FJ Bureau. A week or so after returning home, Harry hopes to have his log posted to LoTW.

GJ, JERSEY (EU-013)

By the time you read this, Geoff, G4CID, is expected to be active (starting May 11th) as GJ4ICD for possibly 7 to 10 days. His activity will be on the HF bands, but with a focus on 6 meters. Look for a beacon on 50.140 MHz. QSL via G4ICD.

IOTA NEWS

EU-005. Operators John/M0JFE, Ian/2E0EDX, Grian/2E0OYG, Nathan/2E0OCC, Greg/2E0RXX, Sean/2E0BAX and Liam/M3ZRY will be active as GB0IPA during the CQ WPX CW Contest (May 24-25th) from Piel Island.

EU-005. Steve, G0UIH, will once again attempt to activate Walney Island between May 31st and June 2nd using the callsign G0UIH/M. Activity will be mainly on 20/17/15 meters, but also on 40 meters using a IC706MK2G, w/400 watts into an Outbacker Perth Vertical. This activation is a reschedule from May 3rd. QSL direct to his home callsign.

EU-016. Alex, DL1MAJ, and his family plan to visit Korcula Island (IOCA CI-041, ACIA-767, CIA-19, MIA MC-163, LH-1315) for one week between May 10-24th. The IOCA Group hopes Alex will find free time for ham-activity. QSL via his home callsign.

EU-054. Members of the Egadi DX Team and ARI di Trapani will be active as IF9LI from Levanzo Island (IIA TP-009, MIA MI-050, WLOTA LH-1918), May 16-18th. Operators mentioned are: Rino/IT9FXY, Momo/IT9GNG, Enzo/IT9ECQ, Sal/IW9FRA, Mimmo/IW9GTD, Pippo/IW9GNV and possibily Gastone/I4GAS. Activity will be on 80/40/20/15/10 meters using SSB, PSK31 and RTTY, and possibly 6 meters. A side trip to Il Faraglione (also EU-054, IIA TP-013, MIA MI-277) is being planned. QSL direct to IT9FXY.

EU-058. Operators Giovanni/IK1WEG, Davide/IW1DQS, Gerry/IZ1DSH, Giorgio/ IZ1DXS, Riccardo/IZ1GDB, Willy/IZ1HGM and Claudio/IZ1JMV will be active as F/homecall (or possibly M0IL, if callsign is issued. - QSL via IZ1HGM) from St. Honorat, Lerins Islands, May 17-18th. They plan to have three stations on the air. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the Bureau.

EU-110. Operators Alessandro/IK4ALM and Sergio/IZ4BBF will be active as 9A/homecall from the Island of Sveti Nikola (ACIA-16, IOCA CI-118, MIA MC-414, WLOTA LH-3152) between May 15-19th. QSL via their home callsigns, direct or by the bureau.

NA-057. Ray, WQ7R, will be active as HQ9R from Roatan Island during the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 26-27th). QSL via K5WW.

IO1, ITALY (Special Event)

Members of the A.R.I. Ivrea Club Station (IQ1IV) will activate special event station IO1WWC between May 12th and June 8th. Activity is to celebrate the 2008 Wildwater World Championships in Ivrea that takes place between June 3-8th. Look for operations to be on all the bands, HF to the VHF and UHF, with activity on the satellite. QSL via IQ1IV, by the bureau or direct (see (QRZ.com)).

JD1, MINIMA TORISHIMA

Masa, JA6GXK, is now active as JD1BMM on Marcus Island until May 22nd. Activity will be on 80-6 meters, CW and RTTY. QSL via the bureau.

JW, SVALBARD

Lars, LA5LJA, will be active as JW5LJA and JW7FJA from Spitsbergen Island

(EU-026, WLOTA LH-0125) from May 25th to June 1st. Look for activity on all HF bands, using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL both calls via LA5LJA, bureau preferred and also direct.
LX, LUXEMBOURG
Philippe, LX2A, and a team of operators will be active as LX7I during the CQ WW WPX CW Contest (May 24-25th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via LX2A, by the bureau or direct. He has a new home page with a log search at:
http://www.lx2a.com
The log is uploaded every month to LoTW.
PA143, THE NETHERLANDS (Special Event)
Members of the Veron Traffic Bureau will be using the special callsign PA143ITU between May 15-30th. Activity is to celebrate the 143th anniversary of the ITU and the "World Telecommunication Day" which is held yearly on May 17th. Operations will be on all HF bands on CW, SSB and some RTTY. Suggested frequencies are:
SSB - 3645, 7045, 14245, 18145, 21245, 24945 and 28445 kHz
CW - 3545, 7025, 10125, 14045, 18075, 24900 and 28045 kHz
Look for activity during the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 24-25th). QSL Manager is PA3CAL ("OK" via Bureau).
SV9, CRETE
Willi, DJ7RJ, will be active as SV9/DJ7RJ in 2009 between February 25th and March 15th. Activity will be on the low bands, 160-10 meters and CW/SSB. QSL via his CBA.
"THE OLD TIMER" (60 Years in the hobby of Amateur Radio)
is a book written by Jim Smith, VK9NS, from Norfolk Island, and is now available at:
http://www.studiomonarchbooks.com/
This book is about the story of Jim Smith's travels through life and becoming involved in the hobby of Amateur Radio. The book is almost 600 pages long.
V4, ST. KITTS AND NEVIS
Reiner, DL2AAZ, will be active as V4/9H3TI from the Island of Nevis (NA-104) between May 25th and June 15th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, using CW and SSB, with 100 watts to GP and dipole antennas. QSL via DL2AAZ, direct or by the bureau.
VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS
Jim, WB2REM, will be active as VP5/WB2REM between July 2-12th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, using CW and SSB. QSL direct ONLY via WB2REM.
VP9, BERMUDA
Yuri, VE3DZ, will be active as VP9/VE3DZ between May 22-28th. His activity will include the CQWW WPX CW Contest (May 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. Outside of the contest he will be on RTTY, PSK and SSB. QSL via VE3DZ.
ZS8, MARION ISLANDS
>From the ZS8T Web page, Christian/DL6KAC and Col/MM0NDX report on behalf of ZS8T team (dated May 11th): "Over the past 24 hours numerous spots have been appearing on DX clusters mentioning Petrus is on air. As yet, we have no confirmation from Petrus. It's becoming apparent there are internet/phone problems on the island, so news is currently scarce. In the meantime, be aware of bogus ZS8T stations appearing on the bands. If you'd like to familiarize yourself with Petrus's voice please visit previous recordings during 3Y0E at:
http://3y0e.com/live-audio-recordings/
As soon as we hear again from Petrus, all news will be updated."
For updates and the first offical announcement of ZS8T being on the air, please visit the official ZS8T Web site at:
http://zs8t.net

The Society can be contacted in the following ways: To Pat VK2JPA via patleeper at optusnet.com.au, or you can drop a line to PO Box 93 Toongabbie NSW 2146.
73â€™s from Pat VK2JPA broadcast Officer.